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SUBJECT: QUEBEC-ONTARIO BAN ON CONSTRUCTION WORKERS

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1. QUEBEC FEDERATION OF LABOR (QFL), AFFILIATED WITH THE CANADIAN LABOR CONGRESS (CLC), OPPOSES REGULATIONS UNDER PROVINCIAL LABOR LAW THAT, IN EFFECT, BAN NON-RESIDENTS FROM WORKING IN QUEBEC CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY. QFL COUNTER-PART, THE CONFEDERATION OF NATIONAL TRADE UNIONS (CNTU), IS REPORTED IN PRESS AS BEING COMPLACENT WITH THE REGULATIONS WHICH GO INTO EFFECT JULY 1, 1978. ONTARIO FEDERATION OF LABOR, ALSO AFFILIATED WITH THE CLC, RELUCTANTLY SUPPORTED ONTARIO PREMIER WILLIAM DAVIS' SUBMISSION OF A BILL IN ONTARIO LEGISLATURE WHICH RECIPROCALLY BANS QUEBEC CONSTRUCTION TRADESMEN FROM WORKING IN ONTARIO. THE ONTARIO BILL WAS NOT ACTED ON BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE
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ADJOURNED FOR THE SUMMER. CONSEQUENTLY, BEGINNING JULY 1, ONTARIO AND OTHER NON-QUEBEC RESIDENTS WILL BE BANNED FROM WORKING IN QUEBEC. NON-RESIDENTS OF QUEBEC PRESENTLY WORKING ON JOBS IN QUEBEC WILL BE PERMITTED TO COMPLETE THEIR JOB CONTRACT BUT WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO CONTINUE WORKING IN QUEBEC.

2. COMMENT: ISSUE APPEARS TO HAVE COOLED SOMEWHAT BUT
MAY FLARE UP AFTER JULY 1 WHEN LAYOFFS BEGIN. CERTAINLY
DISSENSION WILL GROW WITHIN THOSE UNIONS WITH MEMBERS IN
BOTH ONTARIO AND QUEBEC. ENDERS

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